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Briefs by the Editor

May God's Spirit bless the 44 young men who are going out in the Lord's name and in our name to preach the Lord's message to people in 17 states and in one province of Canada! Having been in the Christian ministry before most of them were born, I can assure them from personal experience that their message is needed.

This conviction is based not only on past experience, but also on present experience. The evening before the Seminary graduation, the voting members of the congregation to which I belong met to call another pastor. Our own pastor had accepted a call back into our mission in Africa, and now we needed someone to replace him. We couldn't simply ask one of the new graduates to serve us. Since the church at large had trained them, the church at large had the right to place them where they were needed most. This is the important decision which the Conference of Presidents must make annually. This year again, when these men were all placed, there were still vacancies such as that in our congregation. Add to that the Lord's command to preach the Gospel to all nations, and we know there can never really be an oversupply of pastors.

Do we really need their message, or are we deceiving ourselves? Those who live in this world of sin and realize how often they have failed God, know that they need the regular uplift found in the Sunday service with its exposition of the Word. There, as well as in other meetings of the congregation, the Word is applied to our lives and becomes for us both the source of strength to serve the Lord and the source of assurance that through Him heaven is our home.

Again, these days have emphasized that very point. The afternoon of the

day when these young men were presented to the Church as preachers of the Word, a number of us sat in another church of our Synod to join a brother in finding comfort at the death of his young son; to hear with him and his family that a child of God at the moment called death is not the loser, but has merely changed his address; that he is with the Lord in the Lord's heaven.

To be permitted to speak for the Lord in thus comforting and strengthening others is a privilege indeed! The graduation service at the Seminary made these young men aware of that fact. Though the fog persisted that morning, there was nothing foggy about the message. These young men were exhorted to look upon God's Word in the same way their Lord and Savior looks at it. For the president of the Seminary, for its faculty, for its graduates, for its student body, the Scripture is the inerrant Word of God, given by inspiration of God's Holy Spirit. There is no room here for the higher critical approaches of so-called modern scholarship. Not because these men are not scholars, but because by faith they have recognized the higher critical approach for what it is, a rejection of the Word. This approach is nothing new. Its basics were present in the Garden of Eden, when Satan asked, "Yea, hath God said?" When man — even the theologian — places his reason, his critical faculties, above the Word of God, God's message is first of all undermined and finally cast aside.

We pray for these graduates that they may be kept in the faith that accepts Scripture in all its sentences and words as God's message for themselves and for their hearers. Then, by God's grace, things will remain well with our church.

*The Lord our God be with us,
as he was with our fathers:
let him not leave us,
nor forsake us. I Kings 8:57*

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THE COVER

The date was May 29, 1974. Put into its historical situation, it was the first of two graduations from Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary to be held during the two-year period our Synod is celebrating the Lord's gift of 125 years of Grace. May the members of these classes, even as all graduates of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, ever be true messengers of the amazing Grace of Jesus Christ to poor sinners!

THE NORTHWESTERN LUTHERAN

Editorials

"God Is Not Mocked" An impish placard, available in some novelty shops, asks irreverently, "If you're so smart, why ain't you rich?" The truth, of course, is that not everyone who is "smart" aspires to be rich. However, the balloon-pricking sentiment expressed on this placard has wider application.

It applies, for one thing, to conditions obtaining in society today. Liberalized attitudes in moral and religious matters have been hailed in many quarters as the good news for modern man. Such deviations from traditional positions as the new morality, legalized abortion, no-fault divorce, acceptance of homosexuality as right and normal, the equating of crime with disease — to say nothing of the abandonment of the Bible by many churches — have been promoted as the salvation of the world.

It hasn't worked out that way. Homicides recently reached a new high for a one-month period in one of our nation's largest cities. Citizens are trying to devise new methods of security for their homes as burglaries skyrocket. In some areas more convicted criminals are walking the streets than are languishing in prison for lack of facilities in which to confine them. Drug addiction and alcoholism are epidemic. For the most part, improvement in conditions appears to exist only in the minds of those who now find more freedom to indulge in vice and crime.

It has been said that "the proof of the pudding is in the eating thereof." In reference to the case in point, the liberal principles adopted by a large segment of modern society have not been accompanied by the benefits predicted by their proponents.

There is a reason for this. An inspired Apostle pointed to it long ago: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Modern man's efforts to demote God prove this once again.

Immanuel Frey

Respect For Government Senate Republican Leader Hugh Scott, who declared that the Nixon transcripts revealed a "deplorable, disgusting, shabby immoral" performance on the part of the President and his former aides, may have chosen these harsh adjectives because he felt that he had been deceived and "used" previously by the White House, but most American citizens also appear to be disillusioned and dismayed. The average American may be only average in his public morality, but he feels that the occupant of the office of the Presidency of one of the world's great nations ought to be more committed to the high ideals of public office.

Without judging the degree of our President's shortcomings or guilt, we must not suppose that there will ever be an entirely pious government. The citizens of states and kingdoms, whether democracies or monarchies or despotisms, have from time immemorial been dismayed by the lack of propriety or morality in government office. The sons of Samuel "perverted judgment." Micah complained: "The prince asketh, and the judge asketh for a reward; and the great man, he uttereth his mischievous

desire." High morality has seldom been found in high places. When the halo fades and the charisma pales, we notice the ruler's feet of clay.

Luther is realistic and plain-spoken: "You must know that from the beginning of the world a wise prince is a rare bird indeed; still more so a pious prince. They are usually the greatest fools or the worst knaves on earth. . . . If a prince turns out well, so that he is wise, pious, or a Christian, it is one of the great wonders and one of the most precious tokens of divine grace upon that land."

Despite an absence of principle in government officials, we owe respect to them because of the God-pleasing office they hold. "The powers that be are ordained of God." The respect is owing because the institution of government is a minister of God, even if a governor may be neither Christian nor moral and God does not sanction his evil methods.

And so we continue to honor our government because it has been invested with divine authority; we obey our government because such obedience is due Him who ordains government — unless a government requires disobedience against God's command; we serve our government in word and deed and remember it in our daily prayers.

The Christian knows what to do when his ruler falters. He also knows what he should have been doing all along.
Carleton Toppe

A Primer For Parents A child psychologist tells how he hit the lecture circuit after college, speaking to PTA's on the topic, "Ten Commandments For Parents." After he had a child of his own, he toned down the topic to, "Ten Suggestions For Parents." After his second child he quit lecturing other people entirely.

Every parent understands this. There is a tremendous difference between the ideal and actual parenthood, a wide gulf between the desired blueprint and what actually happens in rearing children.

Advice comes from relatives and neighbors with their homespun solutions, and from the so-called experts and authorities with their latest surveys and theories. A conscientious parent could go batty trying to keep up with all the changing fads and passing philosophies.

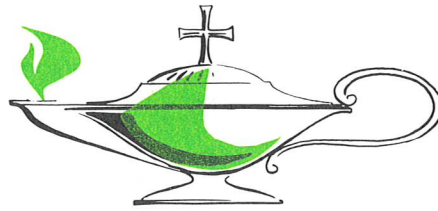
The Christian parent has something better. The Author and Giver of life has not left us in the dark about rearing children, "His heritage." There is a beautiful little book in the Bible, named "Proverbs," written especially for the young and for those who must teach them.

Here the Holy Spirit deals frankly with fundamental principles that the world is forever debating: the nature of the child, the role of discipline, the key to education. Subjects that parents are uncomfortable with, like sex education, are handled in a way that the air is always clean.

Great truths are taught in a way that little ones love, with illustrations and imagery, with riddles and laughter about lazy folk, liars, and tattletales, about beauty, strength, and wisdom, even pets. But the best thing of all about "Proverbs" is that it is true and reliable.

John Parcher

Studies in God's Word



The Joy of Purposeful Existence

(It is) my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labor: yet what I shall choose, I wot not. For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better (Phil. 1:20-23).

It has become fashionable of late to speak of an "identity crisis." A great deal of human behavior (and for that matter, also *mis*-behavior) is explained as being the result of a person's "seeking to find out who he is." Perhaps nowhere is this search more evident than in modern secular education. For many the goal of education is not the acquiring of significant facts and useful skills, but rather undergoing significant experiences. The learner is urged to look inward in order to learn about himself and thus find his place in life. Experiences are valued to the extent that they help the learner to answer the questions: Who am I? Why am I here? Where am I going? A great deal of aimless wandering and anxious searching could be avoided if men would but accept God's answer to those questions. Then there would be no "identity crisis." Witness Paul's joyful confidence. He had found the answer to the question: Who am I? and he is willing to share that information, if we will but listen.

Who Am I?

In the third chapter of his letter to the Philippians, Paul gives us a rather full description of his family heritage (3:5f.), but all of these "advantages" he considered as loss "in view of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord" (3:8). Faith in Christ gave the Apostle true "identity." Though he was a sinner, one who had even persecuted the Church, yet he had become God's child. God was his heavenly Father. Christ was his Lord and Master. Hence he could call himself "Paul, the *servant* of Jesus Christ" (1:1). Paul knew who he was. And so can we, for Scripture assures us that we "are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus." In Christ God has chosen us from eternity, and in time He has called us by the Gospel to be His own. There need be no identity crisis in our lives.

Why Am I Here?

But why has God taken such pains that we should be His? Again St. Paul gives the answer. Glorifying the Savior who loved him and gave Himself for the Apostle became the goal of Paul's entire life, so much so that he could say: "For me to live is Christ." To proclaim Christ, Paul was willing to "spend and be spent." Even now while writing to the Philippians, he was in prison for preaching the Gospel. Yet Paul could speak of "my earnest expectation and my hope that . . . as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body."

That Christ be magnified gives purpose to every life. To us no less than

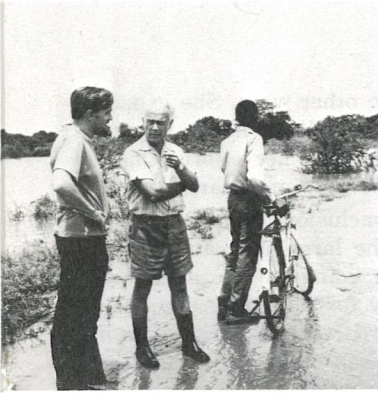
to Paul, our Lord has given the commission: "Ye shall be witnesses unto Me." But glorifying Christ is not restricted to those times when we are formally speaking to others about Christ. In *everything* we do, in our work, our amusements, our hobbies, Christ is to be glorified. When we realize that God's glory is involved in everything we do, then nothing in our life is insignificant or pointless.

Where Am I Going?

Paul once said: "If in this life only we have hope, we are of all men most miserable." But Paul was far from miserable, for he had a glorious hope that went beyond this life. Though living for Christ was a vital, compelling role, yet he could add "to die is gain." Keep in mind that Paul was writing from prison. He was optimistic of acquittal, but the verdict could still go against him. But whether now or later, Paul would at some time have to face death. Then what would become of his joy and optimism? Paul says that death brings such "gain" over living that he is "in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better."

Note that the essence of Paul's hope is "to be with Christ." Here on earth we see through a glass darkly, but there face to face. There we will know Christ, even as now we are known of Him. Who would deny that such knowledge of Christ and such communion with Him is great gain over our present status, burdened as we are by our sinful flesh? Only let us never forget that this hope is ours solely through Christ. By ourselves we would not have discovered it, nor have we merited it. Left to ourselves, we like the unbelieving world would still be running in circles to discover our "identity," groping through life in search of meaningful activity, and dreading what might be coming after. But in Christ we are new creatures who have found that to live is Christ, and to die is gain, the gain of being eternally with Christ in heaven. That hope puts plan and purpose into our life — and a song into our heart.

Armin J. Panning



Pastor Mark Wendland receiving final instructions from Supt. T. Sauer.



Evangelist Solomon Bimbe, two passengers, Supt. T. Sauer, and the ferryman crossing the Mwembezhi River.



Evangelist Bimbe and Superintendent Sauer safely on Mission side.

When the Rains Came

March 4, 1974

Dear Friends,

We have come to the end of a rainy season which often tried our patience and perseverance and took its toll on our vehicles and ourselves out here in the bush.

Today the sun is shining, and it seems very good. We have had more than our normal share of rain, about 50% above normal! Much of it has fallen in the last three or four weeks.

For the past week we have been cut off completely from Lusaka. I was the last one from out here at the Mwembezhi station (42 miles from Lusaka) to reach town. Already then the waters of the Mwembezhi were flowing quite deep across a 150-yard stretch of the main road. Since the various boards and committees of our Lutheran Church of Central Africa were scheduled to meet and many men would come from distant parts, I just had to be there as chairman and superintendent. A meeting of all our workers in Zambia and Malawi was also to be held at the same time. Many of the men would have similar difficulties; I had to try to get through!

We started from home at 7:00 to make the trip during daylight. When we reached the river six miles from here I was afraid that my little VW would float away in the strong current. So I turned back to the Mission and started the pickup truck. But I had to leave Missionary Mark Wendland at the Mission because of possible emergencies, especially at the Dispensary, and drove out alone with Evangelist Solomon Bimbe.

At the river we stopped and loaded five or six onlookers onto the back of the truck for ballast before going through the high water and current. Also I removed the fanbelt to keep the fan from picking up water and throwing it all over the motor, perhaps flooding and stalling it in mid-

stream. Then I put the truck in gear and plunged in. We crossed without stopping. On the other side I replaced the fanbelt and was on my way, a bit late for the first meeting, but thankful that we were able to be there.

In the days which followed it just kept raining, so the return on Saturday morning was not quite so simple. The river had risen another six inches! It was just too deep to cross with the truck. But all was not lost. An enterprising African had started a ferry service with his dugout canoe and for a fee of 33 cents per passenger and 78 cents for our luggage he ferried us across with the suitcases and some packages of essential food for the people at the Mission. There was no telling how long our isolation would last.

Missionary Mark Wendland was waiting for us. Several of our Lusaka missionaries, Charles Found and Douglas Weiser and their families had driven out from Lusaka to witness the crossing and to stand by, in case we needed help, and to take the truck back to town.

At the moment we are quite completely cut off here at the Mission. The only other, roundabout road to Lusaka has been closed for over a month. Even four-wheel-drive vehicles have not been able to get through. We have arranged a rendezvous with Pastor Weiser for tomorrow morning at 11:00 o'clock at the "ferry" to bring out more food and supplies and our mail.

Otherwise, all is normal, and for this we are thankful. Althea is back full-time at the Dispensary until the new nurse arrives. Her baby count is now up over 160! I am using the forced isolation to do some needed catching-up at my desk. Otherwise, "nichts Neues" (nothing new) on the African front.

Best wishes from both of us,

Theodore Sauer



Miss Linda Greve

Adiah Abia Okpo Returns to Africa

The Lutheran Church Of The Abiding Word, Somers, Wisconsin, was the setting for the consecration service for Miss Linda Greve as nurse at the Mwembezhi Mission, Lusaka, Zambia, Africa, March 31, 1974.

The rite of consecration was read by the Rev. Paul Hanke, member of the Executive Committee for Central Africa. Pastor Harold Warnke, principal of Fox Valley Lutheran High School, Appleton, Wisconsin, preached the sermon.

Using as his text John 3:30, "He (Christ) must increase, I must decrease," he said, "This is a noble word with which to begin this commendable work in Central Africa. This is a great day for Linda, for her parents, because of their close relationship with African work, and for all of us who rejoice that another worker is commissioned for service in the kingdom."

He continued, "When John the Baptist spoke these words, he meant that Christ must gain many followers, that the Gospel must be preached everywhere on earth, surely including Africa, for the salvation of sinners. John also meant that we who already believe in Jesus should have our faith

strengthened so that we, like great trees, become firmly rooted in the faith. Thus Christ will increase."

In making his application he stated, "Linda believes that also. As she ministers to the bodies of the many people who will come to her, she will have excellent opportunities to talk about the Great Physician of our souls, the Physician who alone can heal the disease that is infinitely worse than any which attacks our bodies. Through the Word that she speaks she can strengthen the faith of those who may be suffering greatly, or she can help to prepare them for death. Thus Christ will surely increase in the hearts of those who do not yet know Him and also among those who believe in Him."

Referring to the second part of his text the speaker said, "If Christ increases then I shall certainly decrease. I shall play an ever smaller role in the work of the kingdom, until I finally disappear from this life."

In the application of this part of the text he said, "Linda, too, will surely decrease, decrease in comforts (electricity for three hours a day), in wages (perhaps one-third of what she could earn elsewhere), in companion-

ship, and in other ways. She expects that, but she will be happy beyond words, if through her efforts Christ will increase in some hearts."

In his conclusion, Pastor Warnke reminded the large audience, "Since she will be going in our name, we should pray for her, pray especially that our Lord Jesus might increase in Central Africa through the Word that our workers speak."

Miss Linda Greve is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Edgar Greve, Kenosha, Wisconsin. Her parents were missionaries in West Africa at the time Miss Greve was born in Port Harcourt, Nigeria. She was baptized at Uruk Uso Lutheran Church with 20 African infants. Along with her Christian name she was given the African name of Adiah Abia Okpo. At the age of seven her family moved to Northern Rhodesia, now called Zambia. She lived at Mwembezhi in Salaland, where she will be serving for two years. It was here that her mother was active as a nurse in the early life of the medical mission before the dispensary was built.

At the age of nine her family moved to Appleton, Wisconsin. After graduating from Fox Valley Lutheran High School she pursued her Bachelor of Science degree in nursing at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. During the four years spent here she became active in our Synod's Lutheran Collegians program and served the Milwaukee chapter as president and the national organization as vice-president.

Upon due examination by the State Board of Nursing she was designated a Registered Nurse, BSN. She has been employed at Kenosha Memorial Hospital since her graduation. She is now stationed at the Mwembezhi Lutheran Dispensary, 45 miles from Lusaka, Zambia.

Liturgist for the service was the pastor of the church, the Rev. Allen Capek. The Lutheran Collegians choir, Milwaukee chapter, sang, "A Hymn of Thanksgiving," "Grant Me True Courage, Lord," and "The Benediction." Organists were William Stuebs and Miss Margaret Kohlstedt. Following the service refreshments were served.

A. L. Mennicke

Faculty Positions Filled At Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

Two additional faculty members at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary have increased the present faculty to 16. The two recent additions are Professors David Kuske and Paul Nitz.

Professor Kuske assumed his duties during the past school year. Following his installation in December, he began his work in the Christian Education department. He has also engaged in study in preparation for New Testament courses he will teach in the new school year. Professor Nitz accepted a call to the Seminary in April. He will move to Mequon in June and then begin a year of graduate study in preparation for his work in the Old Testament department. He will also teach pastoral theology. His installation is scheduled later this year.



Professor Paul E. Nitz

Professor Kuske, 40, is a native of Elgin, North Dakota. He is a graduate of Synodical schools, Martin Luther Academy, Northwestern College, and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, 1959. He has done graduate work at the University of Wisconsin.

Following his graduation from the Seminary in 1959, he served the Wabeno-Monico parish in northern Wisconsin. In 1963 he moved to Barre Mills, Wisconsin, and in 1967 he accepted a call as religion and social studies instructor at Onalaska Lutheran High School. In 1969 he became principal of Lakeside Lutheran High School, Lake Mills, Wisconsin, and in 1971 principal of the Onalaska school.

He has served the church at large as a member of District and Synodical Boards for Parish Education. He is married to the former Gwenith Duin of Johnson, Minnesota. The Kuskes have three children, all at home.

Professor Nitz, 47, comes to the Seminary following a three-year pastorate at First Lutheran Church, La Crosse, Wisconsin. He expects to begin his teaching duties at the Seminary in the fall quarter of 1975, following a year of graduate study at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Paul Nitz was born at the East Fork Mission, Whiteriver, Arizona, son of the late Rev. H. C. Nitz, former contributing editor of *The Northwestern Lutheran*. He is a graduate of Northwestern Prep and College and of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, 1952. He taught at Mt. Lebanon Lutheran School in Milwaukee, and also served a year as tutor at Northwestern College. He has served parishes at Tacoma and Ranier, Washington, in Milwaukee at Centennial Church, and at the church in La Crosse.



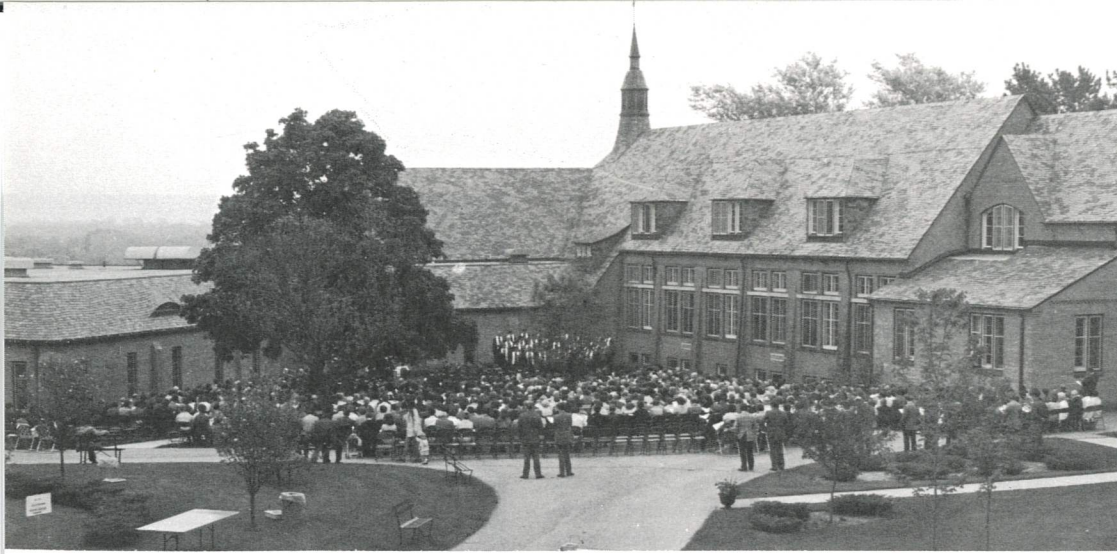
Professor David Kuske

Professor Nitz's service to the church includes membership on the Synod's Audio-Visual Aids Committee, member of the Boards of Wisconsin Lutheran High School, Luther High School, Onalaska, and Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. He has also served as an interim editor of *Meditations* and as a member of the Synod's Commission on Inter-Church Relations. Until accepting the call to the Seminary, he was a regular contributor to *The Northwestern Lutheran*.

In 1953 he married the former Carol Stensrud. They are the parents of eight children, five sons and three daughters.

For some time the Board for World Missions has urged the Seminary to implement a Seminary professor exchange program at our Synod's world mission seminaries. The Seminary hopes to do so on an experimental basis after the 16th professor has assumed his full teaching assignment.

Joel C. Gerlach



Graduation at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

The service folder proclaimed, "This is the day which the Lord hath made!" There was every reason for those present to rejoice and for all who love the Lord's kingdom to be glad in it. In the traditional outdoor graduation service, 44 candidates for the holy ministry were presented to the Church by Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary. The graduates and their families will remember Wednesday, May 29, 1974, as a day that dawned overcast with the threat of rain. Contingency plans for an indoor service at historic Grace Church in Milwaukee had been made, but the Providence who rules even the storm held back the rain.

Commencement festivities began on the Tuesday evening before graduation with a sacred concert by the Seminary Chorus under the direction of Professor Martin Albrecht. The chorus presented "The Matins in Song," a program of music which had gladdened many hearts in the eastern reaches of the Synod during the biennial Easter tour.

Addressing the candidates and about 1,300 guests, President Carl J. Lawrenz re-emphasized a truth that had been central in the education of these newly-called pastors. On the basis of Luke 5:36-38, he reminded his hearers that "The Gospel Is Always New and Unique." As the patch of new cloth cannot effectively repair a worn garment, so the Gospel is not to be used in an attempt to patch up man's old religious ideas or his old sinful nature or his old morality. We

must rather look to the Gospel to create a New Man — the redeemed Christian. Again, we must not try to improve the Gospel or use it to attain our own aims and ends by adapting it to "modern" philosophies or trying to further it by legalistic methods. The necessary response of the assembly to this urgent message can be summarized in a phrase from the senior class hymn. In the words of Candidate Robert G. Otto who wrote the hymn text: "Let Thy Gospel, Lord, remain."

By resolution of the Synod the faculty for the first time conferred the degree of Master of Divinity on all the graduates. Members of the class were assigned to mission stations and established congregations in 17 states and the Province of On-

tario, Canada. A certificate of recognition was also presented to Pastor Edet Udo Eshiett, who faithfully and ably participated in senior classes at the Seminary from January to May of this year. Pastor Eshiett is a graduate of the Synodical Conference Seminary at Obot Idim, Nigeria. He left the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Nigeria for confessional reasons and presently serves Christ the King Congregation in his native land. He was scheduled to return to his work a few days after the ceremony at Mequon.

Ladies of the recently organized Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Guild helped to serve a noon luncheon for those in attendance.

Richard D. Balge



"As Thou, Lord, hast always guided"

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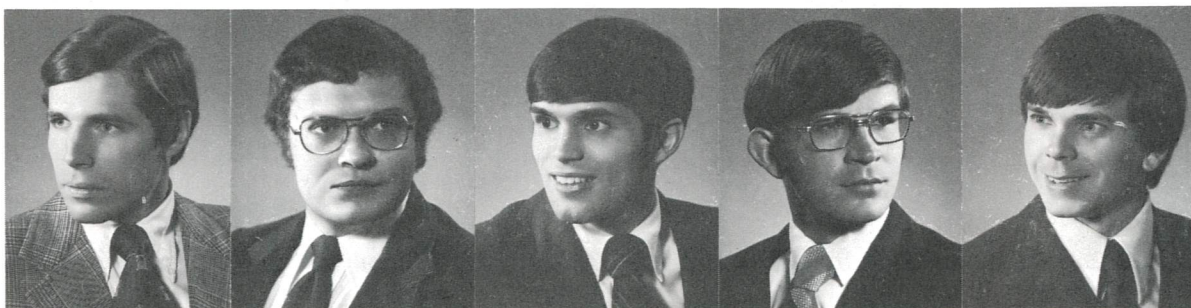


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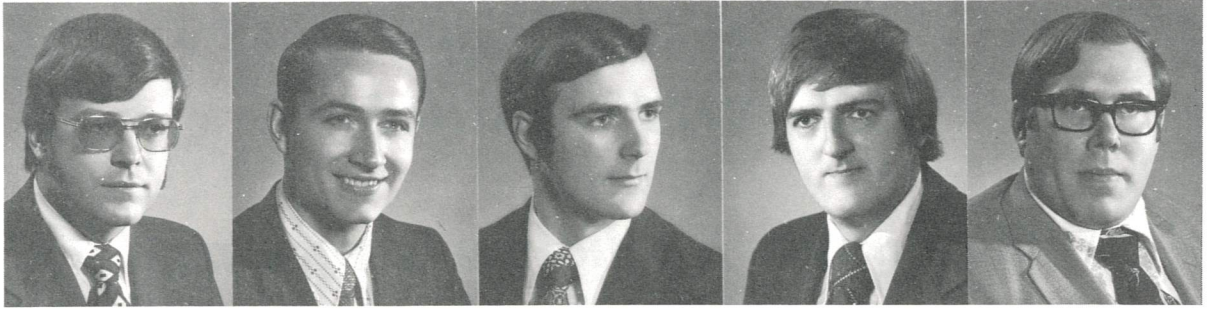
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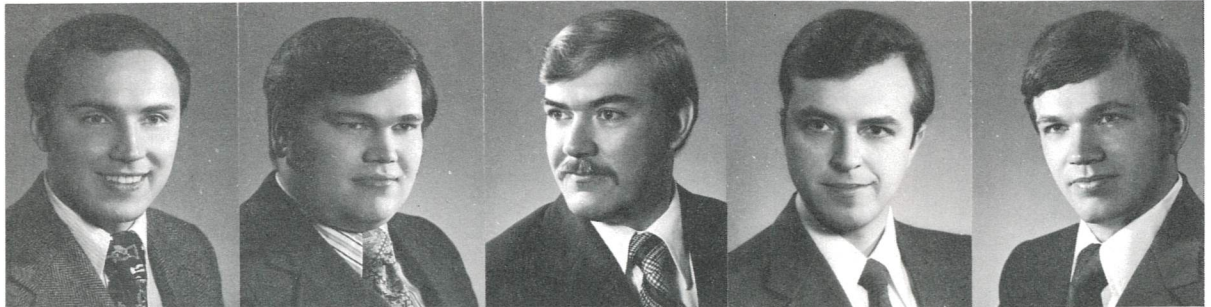
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Toledo, Ohio

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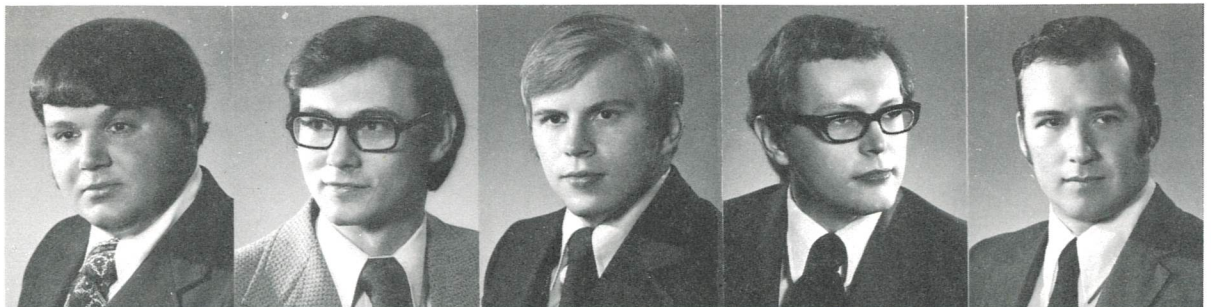
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Huron, S. D.

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Aurora;
St. Mark, Sutton, Neb.

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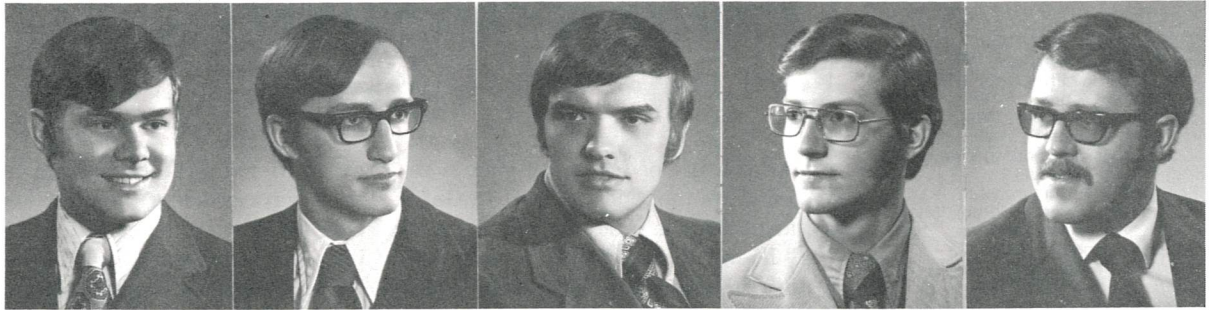
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Peace, Isabel;
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Timber Lake, S. D.

Eugene A. Roecker
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To: St. John, Darfur;
St. Matthew,
Butterfield, Minn.

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To: Good Shepherd,
Rumford
(E. Providence), R. I.

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To: St. John,
Vesta, Minn.

Larry W. Schlomer
Glenham, S. D.
To: Good Shepherd,
Beloit, Wis.



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St. John,
Montrose, Colo.

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To: New Mission,
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Detroit, Mich.

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Manistee, Mich.

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To: St. Mark's,
Bloomington-
Normal, Ill.

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To: St. John, Belview;
St. Paul,
Seaforth, Minn.



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To: Our Savior,
Grafton, Wis.

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To: Hope,
Fremont, Calif.

L. Lee Vaccarella
Whittier, Calif.
To: St. Mark,
Bemidji, Minn.

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Beaver Dam, Wis.
To: Abiding Savior,
Weslaco, Tex.

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Lansing, Mich., area
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Scottsbluff, Nebr., and Oklahoma
Ohio fields City, Okla.
Gulf Coast and South Carolina
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Bruce E. Ahlers, Naper, Neb.
To: St. Peter, Plymouth, Mich.
Kenneth R. Arndt, Oshkosh, Wis.
To: First German Lutheran, Manitowoc, Wis.
Randall J. Bartelt, Beaver Dam, Wis.
To: New Mission, North Pontiac, Mich.
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To: St. Paul, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
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To: St. Paul, Lake Mills, Wis.
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To: Zion, Rhinelander, Wis.
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Fruits of the Spirit . . .

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To: Mt. Olive, Appleton, Wis.
Daniel J. Kolosovsky, Cudahy, Wis.
To: Zion, Columbus, Wis.
Roger K. Kovaciny, Antioch, Ill.
To: St. Matthew, Benton Harbor, Mich.
Kenneth R. Kratz, Kewaunee, Wis.
To: St. John, Juneau, Wis.
Peter H. Kruschel, Menomonee Falls, Wis.
To: Bay Pines, Seminole, Fla.
Randall L. Kuznicki, Saginaw, Mich.
To: St. Stephen, Beaver Dam, Wis.
Stephen J. Lawrenz, Mequon, Wis.
To: District Vicar, Mobile Ala.
Charles L. Learman, New London, Wis.
To: Peace, Hartford, Wis.
John L. W. May, Fort Atkinson, Wis.
To: St. John, Red Wing, Minn.
Jerome D. McWaters, Zumbrota, Minn.
To: Good Shepherd and Zion, Phoenix, Ariz.
Timothy A. Meier, Ogema, Wis.
To: Friedens, Kenosha, Wis.
Dallas C. Miller, Gary, S. D.
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David A. Mueller, Loretta, Wis.
To: St. John and St. Matthew, Renville, Minn.
William R. Neumann, Menomonee Falls, Wis.
To: St. John, Waterloo, Wis.
Earl W. Noffsinger, Flint Mich.
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David A. Palmquist, Clark, S.D.
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Phoenix, Ariz.
Roger W. Plath, Litchfield, Minn.
To: St. Paul, Appleton, Wis.
Nathan R. Pope, Racine, Wis.
To: St. John, Wilmington, Del.
Ronald H. Raddatz, New London, Wis.
To: St. Matthew, Winona, Minn.
Kenneth D. Rahn, Minnesota City, Minn.
To: St. John, Fox Lake, Wis.
Paul N. Reede, Prairie du Sac, Wis.
To: Good Shepherd, Omaha, Nebr.
August K. Ristow, Jr., West Allis, Wis.
To: Emanuel, St. Paul, Minn.
Richard H. Schleicher, Saginaw, Mich.
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James P. Seelow, Milwaukee, Wis.
To: Grace, South St. Paul, Minn.
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To: First Lutheran, Racine, Wis.
Gary T. Stawicki, Milwaukee, Wis.
To: St. Peter, Schofield, Wis.
Christian E. Sulzle, Moberly, S. D.
To: St. Paul, Tacoma, Wash.
George P. Swanson, Morton Grove, Ill.
To: Martin Luther Academy,
New Ulm, Minn. (tutor)
James W. Tauscher, West Salem, Wis.
To: St. John, Westland, Mich.
Glen L. Thompson, Watertown, Wis.
To: Northwestern College,
Watertown, Wis. (tutor)
James P. Tiefel, Kewaunee, Wis.
To: St. Paul, North Mankato, Minn.
Dale R. Tollefson, Vassar, Mich.
To: St. John, St. Paul, Minn.
Dennis J. Valleau, New Berlin, Wis.
To: St. John, Baraboo, Wis.
Roger D. Wahl, Kenton, Ohio
To: North Trinity, Milwaukee, Wis.
Thomas B. Westendorf, Bay City, Mich.
To: Good Shepherd, Benton Harbor, Mich.
Lynn E. Wiedmann, Helenville, Wis.
To: Latin American Missions
Terry L. Yahr, Milwaukee, Wis.
To: Trinity, Waukesha, Wis.
Thomas R. Zahn, Wild Rose, Wis.
To: Christ, Zumbrota, Minn.
John W. Zarling, Benton Harbor, Mich.
To: St. John, Jefferson, Wis.

In the list of Christian virtues recorded by the Apostle Paul in Galatians 5:22, the first “fruit of the spirit” he mentions is “love.” A believer’s faith reveals itself in the true Christian love which is clearly evident in his life.

But with such love there will also be JOY, says the Apostle. Let us not pass lightly over this little word JOY. Consider to what lengths the unbelieving world goes in its vain search for true joy and happiness. Usually this search concentrates on activities which seek to satisfy the sin-bred lusts and vices of the carnal mind. “Joy” to many means “having a good time” — and “having a good time” very often implies doing those things which cause the devil to chuckle with diabolical glee. “Let’s live it up!” is the tune which Satan pipes, and millions dance to it. Or, as Jesus describes this fruitless search for joy and happiness in one of His well-known parables: “Soul, . . . take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry.” All this, however, is not what Paul is referring to when he says that JOY is a fruit of the spirit. Those who reject Christ in unbelief simply cannot bear fruits of the spirit. At best they can only produce counterfeits of such fruits, and counterfeits are worthless.

If you would call to mind all the afflictions, distresses, stripes, imprisonments, tumults, labors, and the like which the Apostle Paul experienced as he served his Savior, you would probably not consider it at all surprising if he had, on occasion at least, expressed himself pessimistically about life in general and about his life in particular. But if you know Paul at all, you know that he was one

who suffered *joyfully*. “As sorrowful, yet always *rejoicing*” says this man of God (II Cor. 6:10); “as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.” What a singular example for us today! And how very timely is this reminder: for Christians *all* of life is truly JOY — genuine, positive JOY — joy which, says our Lord, will last *forever!*

“Blessed are the poor in spirit . . . blessed are they that mourn . . . blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness’ sake . . . blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake. *Rejoice*, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven!” (Matthew 5.) Here Jesus gives us the reason for our being blessed with JOY despite everything in our lives that could, under less favorable conditions, produce only despair. Surely it is evident that we possess something far more precious than the shallow, short-lived “joy” of the world. Ours is an enduring JOY which wells up from all the love and grace of God in our possession. He has promised us *heaven!* Even if we pass through experiences which some might call “hell” here on earth, we are bound for *heaven!* In short, God’s love for us gives us JOY which comes as a result of our faith, which is also a gift of God. Amazing grace!

So what have we to be gloomy and pessimistic about? Nothing! We are Christians, by the grace of God. As such we can bear also this fruit, that we are *joyful* in our faith. Lord, let no one rob us of our JOY.

Philip R. Janke

REQUEST

Our mission in Beverly Hills, Florida, is in need of a used Communion set and also of paraments for altar, lectern, and pulpit. Any congregation able to donate these items is asked to contact: Pastor Dennis Lemke, 56 S. Tyler, Beverly Hills, Florida 32661.

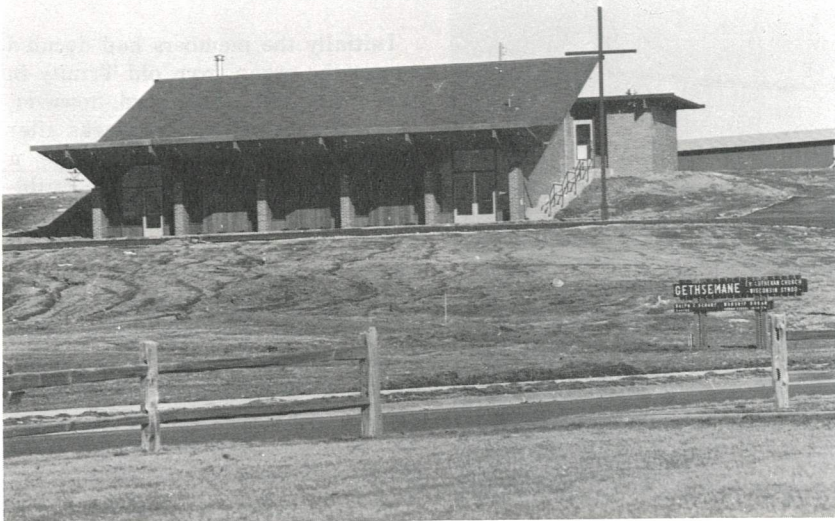
OFFER

Available free to a mission church: twenty-two 12-foot pews with screen, in good condition. Also: white with gold trim 14-foot high, 7-foot wide altar with matching lectern, pulpit,

baptismal font, Communion rail, clergy chair and lighted hymnboard. Very attractive and in excellent condition. Contact: First Evangelical Lutheran Church, R. 2, Elkhorn, Wisconsin 53121. Phone (414) 723-3253.

REQUEST

St. John’s Lutheran Church, the WELS mission in Wilmington, Delaware, is in need of a usable Communion set. Please contact Pastor Richard MacKain, 352 Sweetbriar Road, King of Prussia, Pa. 19406.



Gethsemane, Davenport, Iowa

Davenport Mission Dedicates Church

During 1974, the members of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod are privileged to begin observing 125 years of God's grace to our Synod. As the year began, the members of Gethsemane Ev. Lutheran Church of Davenport, Iowa, rejoiced in a special evidence of God's continuing grace as they were privileged to dedicate a new house of worship to the glory of God and the service of His people. The loan required to build this house of God was made possible through the Church Extension Fund of our Synod.

For the first two years of their history as a congregation, Gethsemane members worshiped in rented facilities at a bowling alley. During the next five years, services were held in a chapel-parsonage. By 1971, it became obvious that more room was needed, not only for worship services, but also for Sunday school and vacation Bible school. Architectural planning was begun in November, 1971, under the guidance of Mr. Duane D. Anderson. Though building funds were granted in April, 1972, a number of unforeseen delays kept the congregation from breaking ground until March 4, 1973. The cornerstone was laid on July 15. The building was ready for occupancy at Christmastime, and formal dedication was set for January 26, 1974.

Attendance at the morning dedication service was 182. Pastor E. Ahls-

wede of Colorado Springs, the pastor who guided Gethsemane in its infancy, addressed the congregation on "The Purpose of This House," basing his message on Matthew 11:25-30. In the afternoon 192 persons heard Pastor H. Paustian of Watertown, Wisconsin, member and former chairman of the Western Wisconsin District Mission Board, preach on Genesis 28:16,17. His theme was "The True Wonder of This Place."

The new building is split-level in design, with the fellowship-Sunday school area behind and one-floor level above the sanctuary, fitting na-

turally into the hillside on which it is built. A large marquee continues the sloping lines of the roof and draws attention to the entrance. Containing 4,300 square feet of space, the building provides worship seating for 205, space for eight Sunday-school areas, pastor's office, sacristy, kitchen, and utility rooms.

The generous memorial gift of one of our Wisconsin Synod pastors provided stained-glass windows for the nave and chancel areas. Used pews were purchased and refinished by members to blend with the new chancel furniture. Gold-colored carpeting is installed throughout the building. Distinctive in the chancel is the raised pulpit which gives prominence to the preaching of the Word.

For this beautiful house of worship, Gethsemane Congregation is extremely thankful to the Lord and also to her fellow believers who helped make it possible through their gifts of love to the Church Extension Fund. God-willing, this building will prove to be an effective tool for Gethsemane as she reaches out with the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the greater Davenport and Quad-City community. It is our prayer at Gethsemane that within these walls many will come to know of the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation, be brought to faith and strengthened therein.

Ralph E. Scharf, Pastor



Dedication Service at Gethsemane, Davenport



New Trinity, Minocqua, Wisconsin

SAME MEMBERS NEW PARISH

Generally speaking, the dedication of a new church is of greatest interest to the members of the congregation and to the fellow Christians in the immediate area. The dedication of Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church of Minocqua, Wisconsin, is perhaps somewhat different in this respect. Located in the heart of the tourist area of northern Wisconsin, Trinity Church is privileged to serve members of the Wisconsin Synod from all parts of the state and even from outside the state. It is not uncommon at all to have as many as 200 to 300 visitors a Sunday during the summer months.

The new Trinity Church is a consolidation of Trinity Lutheran of Minocqua and First Lutheran of Woodruff. Several years ago these congregations, which were only two miles apart, decided that they should become one rather than continue as separate groups. Modest growth of the two churches caused each to consider this the best solution. Hence, a new site located between the two congregations was purchased.

On Easter Sunday, 1973, groundbreaking ceremonies were held on the 18-acre tract. On May 19, 1974, the congregation dedicated its new church, organ, and parsonage. A crowd of almost 1,100 people attended the two services. The undersigned conducted the forenoon service, while

NEW CHURCH

Pastor James Schaefer preached for the special Service of Praise and Thanksgiving in the afternoon.

The church is traditional in its architecture. The nave is able to accommodate about 380 people, with room for an additional 30 in the balcony. The rear wall of the nave has windows which can be removed to allow an overflow audience of 200 seated in the fellowship hall to join in the services. The fellowship hall is flanked by a kitchen, classrooms, and office space.

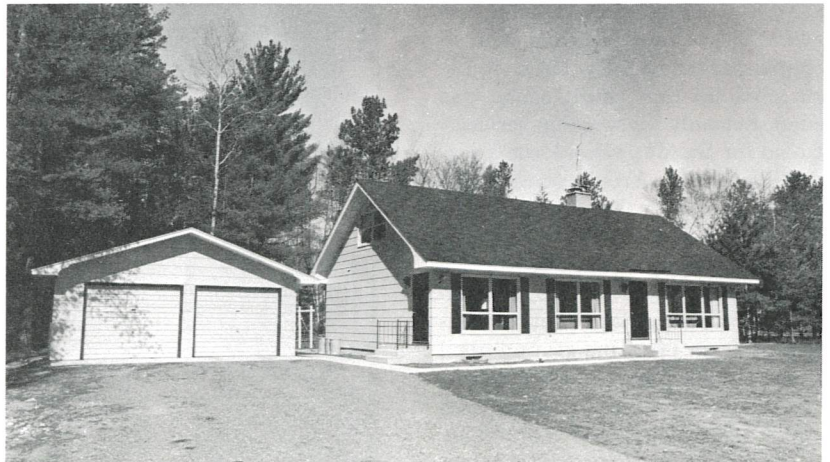
Initially the members had decided to use the organ from old Trinity in the new building. The Lord, however, had different plans. Two weeks after the organ was placed in storage, a fire completely destroyed the building where it was stored. The congregation then decided to purchase a new 5-1/2-rank, Wicks pipe organ.

The parsonage, dedicated on the same Sunday, has one and one-half stories containing a living room, dining room-kitchen, five bedrooms, and an office. Features of the home are its many windows and a large fireplace. Ninety percent of the labor on the parsonage was provided by the members.

Former pastors who served this parish are: C. Voges and J. DeJung, Jr. (prior to 1900), G. Voss (1900-1905), L. Kirst (1906), E. Kowalke and Herbert Koch (1911-17), A. Koeplin (1917). Gustave Fischer (1918-22), A. Zeisler (1923-27), I. Habek (1927-33), W. Weissgerber (1934-51), H. Paul Bauer (1952-56), W. Hein (1957-66), and T. Alksnis (1966-67).

The members of Trinity rejoice and thank God for these fine facilities. We also hope that the many members of our Synod who vacation in this area will make use of these facilities in praising and worshiping God while absent from their home churches. If you should find yourself in this area, do see what the Lord has done for us!

Eugene Kock, Pastor



Trinity Parsonage

CALENDAR OF CONFERENCES MINNESOTA

BIENNIAL DISTRICT CONVENTION

The twenty-ninth biennial Convention of the Minnesota District will be held at Dr. Martin Luther College, New Ulm, Minnesota, July 23-25, 1974.

OPENING SERVICE

A Communion Service will be conducted on the opening day, July 23, at 9:00 a.m. in the chapel of the DMLC Academic Center, with Pastor Perley Kurth delivering the sermon.

ESSAY

Prof. Carl J. Lawrenz will present the essay, "The Clarity of Scripture As It Affects the Message of the Church (With Application to the Creation Account)."

BUSINESS

Applications for membership, overtures or other communications relative to the business of the Convention should be addressed to the District President (with a copy of the same to the Secretary) in due time. Congregations which have translated or changed their constitutions are asked to submit a copy to the proper committee before the Convention. All Conference Secretaries are reminded to bring their Conference minutes.

HOUSING

Requests for housing, costs, and a detailed schedule will be mailed later to all pastors and teachers. Registrations forms and registration fees are to be returned to the Housing Committee.

Warren J. Henrich, Secretary

NWPS NOMINATIONS

The following have been nominated for the presidency of Northwestern Preparatory School, Watertown, Wisconsin:

Prof. George Baer, Watertown, WI
 Prof. Paul Eickmann, Watertown, WI
 Rev. Ronald Freier, St. Joseph, MI
 Prof. James Fricke, Watertown, WI
 Rev. Edgar Greve, Kenosha, WI
 Prof. Lloyd Hahnke, New Ulm, MN
 Prof. Lloyd Huebner, New Ulm, MN
 Rev. Iver Johnson, West St. Paul, MN
 Prof. Harris Kaesmeyer, Saginaw, MI
 Rev. David Kock, Rhineland, WI
 Prof. Paul Kuehl, Watertown, WI
 Rev. Paul Kuske, Saginaw, MI
 Rev. Carl Leyrer, Milwaukee, WI
 Prof. Daniel Malchow, Moberg, SD
 Rev. William Meier, Phoenix, AZ
 Rev. Richard Mueller, Watertown, WI
 Rev. Robert Mueller, Livonia, MI
 Rev. Winfred Nommensen, Milwaukee, WI
 Prof. Armin Panning, Watertown, WI
 Rev. Martin Petermann, St. Paul, MN
 Prof. Jerald Plitzuweit, Watertown, WI
 Prof. Loren Schaller, Manitowoc, WI
 Rev. Wayne Schmidt, Madison, WI
 Rev. Walter Schumann, Watertown, WI
 Prof. Donald Sellnow, Watertown, WI
 Rev. Carroll Sengbusch, So. St. Paul, MN
 Prof. Robert Sievert, West St. Paul, MN
 Prof. Cyril Spaude, Watertown, WI
 Rev. Arden Stuebs, Brillion, WI
 Prof. James Thrans, Watertown, WI
 Rev. Carl Voss, Green Bay, WI
 Rev. Daniel Westendorf, Hopkins, MI
 Rev. Richard Wiechmann, Wauwatosa, WI
 Prof. William Zell, Watertown, WI

Pertinent information concerning these nominees should be in the hands of the undersigned no later than July 10, 1974.

W. A. Schumann, Secretary
 612 So. 5 St.
 Watertown, Wisconsin 53094

COLLOQUY

Mr. E. R. Wendland has requested a colloquy to verify his theological competence for the work of Language Coordinator in the Lutheran Church of Central Africa. Correspondence relative to the request may be addressed to the undersigned.

W. J. Zarling, President
 Michigan District

HOUSEMOTHER NEEDED — MLA New Ulm, Minnesota

The position of housemother in Centennial Hall will be vacant following the close of the 1973-74 school year. With the help of three college, resident assistants, the housemother has supervision of 100 to 125 girls of high school age preparing for the teaching ministry.

Please direct any applications or inquiries regarding this responsible position to: Prof. Lloyd

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APPOINTMENTS

Pastor Rolfe F. Westendorf has accepted the appointment to the Audio-Visual Aids Committee to serve the remainder of the term of Pastor Herbert Winterstein. Pastor Winterstein resigned after accepting a call to our Japan Mission.

Pastor Leroy A. Dobberstein of New Ulm, Minnesota, has been appointed to the Commission on Inter-Church Relations to serve the remainder of the term of Pastor Paul Nitz. Pastor Nitz resigned after accepting a call to our Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary.

Oscar J. Naumann, President

NOMINATIONS — MLS

Since Prof. Armin W. Schultz has resigned after teaching at Michigan Lutheran Seminary for 39 years, the Board of Control of Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Saginaw, Michigan, authorized by the Commission on Higher Education, asks the membership of the Synod to submit nominations for the vacant professorship. The nominees should be qualified to teach in the field of mathematics.

Nominations and pertinent data should be in the hands of the undersigned no later than July 10, 1974.

Mr. Milton Bugbee, Secretary
 MLS Board of Control
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Teacher:

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NEW W.E.L.S. CHURCHES

Names Requested

In recent months the Wisconsin Synod began work in the states and cities listed below. Please send all names of members who moved into the general area of these cities, as well as names of people, who may be interested in a Wisconsin Synod mission, to the Synod's Membership Conservation office. Names as well as pertinent information regarding members referred will be forwarded to the nearest pastor and/or mission board chairman. Pastors who want stations included in this list are to inform the respective District mission board chairman. Area names are dropped from this list after appearing in the Yearbook for one year.

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Florida	Beverly Hills Engelwood* Gainesville
Idaho	Boise/Nampa
Illinois	Bloomington/Normal Champaign-Urbana Crystal Lake Schaumburg* Springfield* West Chicago*
Iowa	Dubuque* Shenandoah*
Louisiana	Alexandria
Michigan	Holland Indian River North Pontiac Romeo* Taylor Twp. Bemidji
Minnesota	Eagan Twp.* Forest Lake Owatonna* Columbia*
Missouri	N. St. Louis County St. Charles County* St. Joseph Scottsbluff* Long Island* Rochester* Schenectady
Nebraska	Raleigh
New York	Mansfield* Youngston (Niles)
North Carolina	Altoona* Lehigh Valley*
Ohio	Providence Huron
Pennsylvania	Mitchell* Memphis Beaumont* Corpus Christi* Lubbock* San Angelo* Temple Weslaco
Rhode Island	Spokane Valley*
South Dakota	Vancouver
Tennessee	Ashwabenon* Middleton* Prairie du Chien* Suamico
Texas	Cheyenne Edmonton* Orleans (Ottawa)
Washington	
Wisconsin	
Wyoming	
Alberta	
Ontario	

*Denotes exploratory services.

(New Missions in cities already having a WELS church are not listed.)

Note: All names and addresses of members who move unless they can be transferred directly to a sister congregation, should be mailed to our

WELS MEMBERSHIP CONSERVATION
3512 W. North Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. 53208

EXPLORATORY SERVICES

ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

WELS exploratory services are being held at the Holiday Inn, Rte 220, Altoona, PA; Bible class at 6 p.m. and worship service at 7 p.m. Sundays. Please send names of prospects or requests for information to: Pastor John Brug, 501 Vine, West Newton, PA 15089; Phone 412-872-9710.

COLUMBIA — OWENSVILLE, MISSOURI

Time change for the WELS exploratory services being conducted at the Holiday Inn East, junction of I-70 and Providence Rd., Columbia, Missouri, are Sunday worship at 8 a.m. and Sunday school at 9 a.m. For the Peace Lutheran Mission at Owensville, Missouri, Sunday school is at 10:30 a.m. and Sunday worship at 11 a.m. For more information contact Pastor LeRoy H. Lothert, 2816 Leeway Dr., Apt. 2, Columbia, Missouri 65201 (Phone: 314-474-2168).

OWATONNA, MINNESOTA

WELS exploratory services are being held in the 7th Day Adventist Church at Court and Pearl Streets in Owatonna, Minnesota, at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Please send names of interested parties to: Chaplain W. R. Hoyer, 725 Northern Hts. Dr. N.E., Rochester, Minn. 55901; or contact: Mr. and Mrs. Gary Greenwood in Owatonna — phone 507-451-8092.

GREELEY, COLORADO

Exploratory work is being conducted in the Greeley, Colorado, area by the Colorado Mission District Mission Board. Anyone knowing of prospective members, interested persons, or students at the University of Northern Colorado is kindly asked to call or send pertinent information to: Pastor Lawrence Retberg, 1304 Lemay Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado 80521 (1-303-482-5326).

NAMES REQUESTED

MIDDLETON, WISCONSIN AREA

Please send names of any WELS members or prospects living in the Middleton, Wisconsin area to Pastor Loren Fritz, Route 1, Box 220B, Prairie du Sac, Wisconsin 53578.

EAGAN, MINNESOTA

Exploratory services are being planned for the Eagan, Minnesota area. Please send names of prospects to Pastor Charles Clarey, 3124 78th Street East, Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota 55075, or call 455-6097

LEHIGH VALLEY, PENNSYLVANIA

The Michigan District is considering exploratory services in the Lehigh Valley area of eastern Pennsylvania. Please send names of any WELS members or prospects in the Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, Pennsylvania area to Pastor Richard MacKain, 352 Sweetbriar Road, King of Prussia, Pa. 19406.

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

Please send names of any WELS members or prospects in the Charlotte, N.C., area to Pastor John Guse, 6723 Formosa Drive, Columbia, S.C. 29206.

ROANOKE-LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA

Please send the names of any WELS members or prospects in the Roanoke-Lynchburg area to Pastor Ronald Hahm, 3229 Sandra Lane, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462. Phone: (804) 424-3547.

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

Gloria Dei Ev. Lutheran Church has moved its place of worship to Raleigh Kiwanis Club, 4089 Kiwanis Road (off Raleigh Millington Rd.). The time of service has also been changed to 10:45 a.m. for the worship service and 9:30 a.m. for

Bible study and Sunday school. If more information is desired, please contact: Pastor R. Busch, 3438 Sophia, Memphis, Tn. 38118 (Ph. 901-365-8668)

BLYTHEVILLE (ARK.) AFB

Beginning in August, Communion services are being conducted at the Blytheville Air Force Base, in the base chapel, on the third Sunday of every month at 8:30 in the evening. For more information please contact: Mike Meeker, P.O. Box 1042, Blytheville, Ark. 72315 (Ph 501-763-9385)

GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

Beginning with the first Sunday in August, Zion Ev. Lutheran Church of Gainesville, FL will be conducting its Sunday morning worship at the Holiday Inn located just west of the interchange of I-75 and state road 26 (Newberry Rd.). The time remains 10:30 a.m. John C. Lawrenz, pastor.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO

New Place of Service

Salem Ev. Lutheran Church has moved its place of worship to Keller Elementary School, 3730 Montbello. The school is located in the N. E. area of Colorado Springs. Time of service is 10 a.m. If more information is desired, contact Pastor E. Ahlswede, 22 W. Clover Circle, Colorado Springs, CO 80906, Phone: (303) 576-5814.

HYMNALS NEEDED

Hymnals are needed for use in tape-recorded services now being held throughout North and South Carolina for military families and future mission stations. Hymnals should be in good condition. Contact: Pastor John Guse, 6723 Formosa Dr., Columbia, S.C. 29206.

HELP NEEDED

The East Fork Lutheran Mission School is in need of a girls' matron for the 1974-75 school year. Also needed is a cook for the school cafeteria. Board and living quarters provided. Interested applicants please contact Mr. Arthur J. Meier, Principal, East Fork Mission, Box 128, East Fork, Arizona 85941.